



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of
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For: POLYETHER CARBAMATE COMPOUNDS :
COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING SUCH :
COMPOUNDS, AND METHODS RELATED :
THERE TO :

Group Art Unit: 1755

Examiner: A. Woodward

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ELECTION (WITH TRAVERSE)

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated June 25, 2003 in the above-captioned application, Applicant submits the following election and remarks.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement for the following reasons. The Examiner has required restriction to one of the inventions of

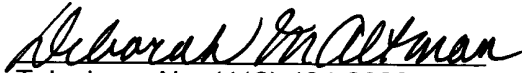
Group I, claims 1-21;
Group II, claims 22-35;
Group III, claims 36-49;
Group IV, claim 50;
Group V, claim 51; and
Group VI, claims 52-54.

Applicant asserts that a search for the invention of Group I (claims 1-21) drawn to a specific reaction product would be coextensive with that for the inventions of Groups II through VI (which claims are directed to coating compositions containing the reaction product, related coating systems, and substrates coated with such compositions and coating systems). Thus, there would be no undue burden on the Examiner if all claims were to be examined together.

However, in the event the Examiner maintains the Restriction Requirements,
Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-21, without prejudice
to the later filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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